

Grayling's 67th Annual WINTER FESTIVAL

1st Annual Grayling Winter Carnival Chili Cook-off

Held at the Knight's of Columbus Hall, Thursday, January 16, 6 p.m.—entrants will be local restaurants. Taste testing by the public, who will be the official judges. Miss Grayling and court will be presented and at 7:30 p.m. the winner of the 1992 Medallion Hunt will be awarded their prize of \$250 Grayling Dollars Gift Certificate. Entrance fee will be \$3 per person or \$2 for \$5.

The Main Event: "The Michigan Cup Series"

30K marathon — Sat., Jan. 18, 10 a.m.
15K marathon — Sat., Jan. 18, 10:15 a.m.
10K fun race — Sat., Jan. 18, 10:30 a.m.

At Hanson Hills.

Awards Luncheon

Complimentary luncheon for all racers following the 30K race, sponsored by Grayling Recreation Authority and Glen's Market, Sat., Jan. 18, nominal fee for racers' guests — held at the old Bear Archery Building at Hanson Hills.

Bonfire & Sing-a-long

Held at Hanson Hills, Sat., Jan. 18, at approximately 6:30 p.m., sponsored by Grayling Promotional Association.

10K Klondike Canoe Race

Starting at Ray's Canoe Livery, 1 p.m., Sat., Jan. 18. Register 1 hour prior to race, \$10 entry fee. 10K Klondike, 5K downstream, 5K upstream. For more information contact Brett Stockton at 348-7574. A fun and competitive race.

Lumberjack Breakfast

Held at Hanson Hills, Sun., Jan. 19, from 8 to 11:30 a.m., sponsored by the Grayling Youth Boosters Club. \$3.50 for adults, \$2.50 for 12 and under, and preschoolers free.

Annual Alpine Ski Races

Held at Hanson Hills, Sun., Jan. 19, 1 p.m. Registration held prior to the races — no entrance fee. Awards will be presented — categories are 1st — 8th graders, 9th-12th graders, 18-29 years, and 30 years and over.

Volleyball Tournament

Held at Hanson Hills, Sat., Jan. 18, at noon — elimination tournament, \$10 per team. Contact Larry Raymond at 348-4532 for more information. For information on these and other winter events please call toll free, 1-800-937-8837.

Extra blood donors needed; Persian Gulf vets can't give

The Crawford County Chapter of the High School Blood Drive on the American Red Cross will have a November 6: Donald Baker, Tanya Black, Stephanie Boersma, John in Grayling, on Wednesday, January 15, from noon to 5:45 p.m.

As a safety precaution, all military and civilian persons who visited the Persian Gulf since August 1, 1990, can not give blood until January 1, 1993, because of the possibility of a disease spread by a parasite through the bite of sand flies, or until a blood screening procedure is developed to detect the parasite.

Consequently, Red Cross regular blood donors and first time donors are needed, to fulfill the quotas necessary to keep hospitals supplied for regular scheduled surgeries and emergencies. Immediately following the Christmas and New Year holidays blood supplies are always critically low. Please try and donate.

There were 38 first time donors at

gallon, Michael Wieland.

Gallon pins were awarded to: 2 gallon, Irene Galvani; 3 gallon, Robert Woodland, James Lawless, and Larry Domick; 1 gallon, Denny Springer; 4 gallon, Michael Wieland.

By a unanimous vote, Lee Riley was elected chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners for 1992.

Commissioner Robert Smock nominated Riley for chairman at the commissioners' organizational meeting Thursday, January 2. Next, commissioner Robert McLachlan moved that nominations be closed and Riley was voted to serve as chairman for the year.

Dennis Long was elected vice-chairman.

In one of his first acts as chairman, Riley scheduled extra meetings for the commissioners.

"We need more time to discuss the county's future and the direction we're

heading in the years to come," said Riley.

Riley said commissioners would not be paid for these evening meetings and they will be public meetings, open for citizen input.

"These 'skull' sessions will be very good," said Long. "We're going to be facing a lot of issues that are going to impact the county for years to come."

Smock said he would like to see the commissioners try to formulate a five-year master plan dealing with economic development, housing, and other important issues.

"This county has a tremendous opportunity for economic development with I-75, U.S. 27, and M-72

converging here."

He said we need to plan the development with the community's best interests in mind.

Riley said there was not enough time at the regular commission meetings to discuss all the issues affecting the county.

The first extra meeting for the commissioners will be 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9. Three more extra meetings were set for every other Thursday night. The regular business meetings for the commissioners will be every other Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

"I feel we can accomplish a great deal this year," said Riley.

Medallion Hunt underway in county

The 9th Annual Grayling Winter Sports Carnival Medallion Hunt started Monday, January 6, with a \$250 prize in Grayling Dollars to be awarded to the winner.

Eight additional small medallions, worth \$245 in prizes, are also waiting somewhere in Crawford County to be found.

The Medallion Hunt started Monday when local radio stations WQON and WGRY began broadcasting cryptic clues. The clues will be given each day up to Jan. 16 and will lead hunters to the small medallions and eventually to the big medallion. The finder of the big medallion will be presented the \$250 in Grayling Dollars by the Gray-

ling Chamber of Commerce at the Chili-cookoff on Thursday, Jan. 16.

The Grayling Chamber of Commerce will have a list of up-to-date clues available during their normal business hours. Anyone finding a small medallion can turn them in to the Chamber and receive their gift certificate from a local business. Only one small medallion per family, please.

If you've found one, let someone have the fun of finding another one. Businesses donating a gift certificate are Chief Shoppenagons - \$30, Rite Aid Pharmacy - \$30, Clair's Amoco Service - \$30, Upper Lakes Tire - \$30, Wolohan Lumber - \$30, Moore's Automotive - \$30, Spike's Keg O'

Nails - \$30, and Davis Jewelry - \$35. Also helping sponsor the hunt is R & H Sports, who donated the medallions and engraved them.

There is no entry fee to join in the hunt. The medallions are hidden on public property. No private property has to be crossed to find a medallion. The medallions are not buried beneath the ground. Sometimes a snowstorm will cover up the medallions, but that is all the digging that is required. No dangerous stunts, such as climbing towers, diving into the river, walking on thin lake ice, or going into culverts are required to find a medallion.

The small medallions are slightly larger than a half-dollar and have the

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Miss Grayling 1992 crowned Saturday

Miss Grayling 1992 will be crowned Saturday night, January 11, at the Joseph Stripe Auditorium. Six contestants will be seeking the title.

The weeks preceding pageant night slipped by fast for the contestants, filled with events planned by the pageant committee (co-chairpersons Sandy Moore and Mary Ann Bloomquist) and sponsored by many Grayling businesses.

Pageant girls were treated to hair styling, facials, beauty hints, and supplies by Susan McCurdy and her staff at the Golden Touch Beauty Salon. The same evening they were treated to dinner by McDonalds.

Louise Quigley of Louise Tournaud School of Dance has worked out a sparkling aerobics routine for the girls and the girls have discovered some muscles they didn't know they had.

One early Saturday morning the girls met at the Chief Shoppenagon's Hotel for mock interviews. That same morning they had their first review of

their talent—helped and accompanied by Deb and Al Bondar. The girls learned that the old adage "Practice Makes Perfect" really means "Practice, Practice, Practice!" The girls then enjoyed lunch at Wendy's and had a visit with Santa.

On Tuesday, December 17, the girls were guests of Rick Febe at Rainbow Fitness for a good workout, and then to Hardee's as guests for dinner.

December 18th found the girls in the pool as Hospitality House sponsored a swim night, followed by a guest room and videos—plus another great meal, pizza courtesy of Pizza Hut restaurant.

The girls put in many extra hours of hard work preparing themselves to be their very best at the pageant. They are also receiving a great deal of help and moral support from their pageant moms and the pageant committee.

All tickets for the pageant are reserved and are available at Mac's Drugs only. Tickets are \$5 each for the event starting at 7:30 p.m.



Jessica Fay Felver
17, daughter of James and Carleene Felver, GHS junior, currently studying cosmetology at Kirtland Community College, interested in becoming a counselor for troubled kids.



Karen Elizabeth Ferguson
17, daughter of Wayne and Judy Ferguson, GHS senior, member of the National Honor Society, SADD, Pep Club, planning to attend Central Michigan University in the fall of 1992.

(Photos by Adams Photography)



Amy Hamel
17, daughter of Robert and Barbara Steinbrink, GHS senior, member of Forensics, SADD, and the Flag Corps, planning to attend the University of Detroit/Mercy to become a Registered Nurse.



Kristie Jean Lamie
17, daughter of Tom and Julie Lamie, GHS senior, member of Band, Drama Club, Basketball, and Forensics, plans on attending Western Michigan University to study Music Education.



Christa Lynn Northrop
16, daughter of Linda and Jerry Northrop, GHS junior, member of the Metamere Dance Company, planning to attend Grand Valley State University in the fall of 1993.



Kendra Suzanne Palmer
17, daughter of Dennis and Marilyn Palmer, GHS senior, member of the National Honor Society, Band, Cheerleading, and Basketball, plans on attending Lake Superior State or Grand Valley College to become a Medical Technologist.

Citizens question county's new solid waste disposal ordinance

A county ordinance mandating that residents use the Crawford-Otsego landfill for disposing solid waste was labelled poorly written by a couple of residents at a county commissioner meeting Jan. 2.

Steve Mason said the new ordinance guarantees that all citizens will have to take their trash to the Crawford-Otsego landfill, recently purchased by City Management Corporation.

"You've given them a monopoly with no citizen input or government control on rates they can charge," said Mason.

Mason asked commissioners what is stopping the new owners from tripling rates.

"We have leverage and control

through the 641 DNR plan," said Commissioner Robert McLachlan. The Public Act 641 of Michigan decides what trash is sent to the landfill and the 641 plan is updated every few years, he said.

Although Crawford County trash has to go to the landfill, McLachlan said the 641 plan could be changed to divert trash from other counties away from the Crawford-Otsego landfill. He said the landfill needs this other trash to make enough money to survive so they have to keep their prices in line with other landfills. McLachlan said

it even would be possible to divert Otsego County trash away from this landfill.

Mason said acting two or three years after rates were increased is not the control he would want to see. He told commissioners they ought to have a direct control on the prices. He suggested some control similar to utilities companies which petition for a rate hike and have to go through public hearings before the rate is increased.

Commission chairman Lee Riley said the new solid waste disposal ordinance

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Grayling's great outdoors goes inside Silverdome

The Grayling Area Visitors Council will be promoting Grayling's great outdoors at the Pontiac Silverdome "Boat, Sport and Fishing Show" January 22-26. A special feature of this year's show will be "Bait-A-Rama," an attraction for Michigan sportsmen and boaters.

It is anticipated that the six-day show will expose Grayling area attractions, accommodations, and recreational opportunities to the world of potential downtown customers. Representatives of the Visitors Council will be manning the booth throughout the show.

Grayling tourism and travel related businesses are invited to

take advantage of the GAVC's offer to promote them free of charge. Businesses are encouraged to supply the Council with 500 brochures or promotional materials to be distributed to the crowds at the show. Such businesses as canoe livery, outfitters, sporting goods, real estate, and outdoor recreation are prime candidates for the show. If your business could benefit from this offer, drop off 500 brochures to the Visitors' Information Center and Chamber Office in the City Park no later than Tuesday, January 21. For more information call the Visitors Council at 348-2921.

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Local youths injured in traffic accident

Jeffrey Partlow, 16, and Bruce Dale, 15, both of Grayling, were injured in an accident about 12:20 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, on M-72 East, just west of Stephan Bridge Rd.

Partlow lost control of his pick-up on a patch of ice and the vehicle slid into the south ditch and hit a tree.

The Grayling Fire Dept. used the jaws of life to remove Partlow from the vehicle. North Flight Ambulance transported both occupants to Mercy Hospital.

Both Partlow and Dale were wearing seat belts. No citations were issued for the accident.

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Mercy Hospital Births

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Terry and Stephanie Hepler of Fairview: Dustin, December 26, 1991, 8 lbs.

Andrew and Andrea Barber of Grayling: Alexandria, December 26, 1991, 8 lbs.

Billy and Denise Auel of Houghton Lake: Ricky James, December 19, 1991, 8 lbs., 9.5 ozs.

Richard and Emily Earle of Prudenville: Thomas Richard, 8 lbs.

December 23, 1991, 7 lbs., 6.6 ozs.

Greg and Kristi Lashley of Gaylord: Jeffery Scott, December 23, 1991, 8 lbs., 7.8 ozs.

Keith Love and Tracy Muth of Grayling: Adam James, December 21, 1991, 9 lbs., 1.5 ozs.

Sharon Moreland of Roscommon: Jacklyn Kayleigh, December 17, 1991, 6 lbs., 11 ozs.

Jessie and Kimberly Kness of Grayling: Cody Lee, December 18, 1991, 8 lbs.



Parents, seniors invited to GHS financial aid night

Dale Shantz, director of financial aid at Kirtland Community College, will be the guest speaker at the annual GHS financial aid night. State and federal financial aid available for higher education will be the topic for

the 7 p.m. Thursday, January 9 meeting held in the GHS library.

GHS seniors and their parents are invited to the session. GHS counselors Bill Klinger and Lynn Thompson will also be on hand to answer questions.

District Court

Thomas Duane Bellish, 20, of Grayling, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Jeffrey Paul McCullough, 26, of Highland, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Michael Joseph Martin, 20, of Frederic, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

Vanderal Rutledge, 27, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Escape Prison. No bond was set as he is a state prisoner.

Michael Joseph Martin, 20, of Frederic, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Larceny Over \$100. A \$2,000 personal bond was set.

Greg Arthur Messerschmidt, 23, of Grayling, was bound over to Circuit Court on a charge of Delivery of Marijuana. A \$5,000 cash or surety bond was set.

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HAND-MADE CROCHETED ORNAMENTS—Martha Bancroft of Grayling, stands next to her Christmas tree that has more than 200 hand-made crocheted white ornaments she made with her daughter Virginia. Martha started making the ornaments after undergoing treatments for cancer and Virginia said the ornament project was good for her mother. In the past, the Bancrofts have had Christmas trees with wooden candles, needlepoint ornaments, and no store-bought decorations.

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Local Weather

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Rain	Snow on ground
12/28	28	21		6
12/29	30	21		6
12/30	34	21		5
12/31	24	9		5
1/1	29	20		5
1/2	33	23		5
1/3	34	23	0.25	5
1/4	35	31	0.28	4
1/5	33	30	0.03	4
1/6	33	25		4

Wednesday will be mostly cloudy with a mixture of snow, sleet and freezing rain. In the evening it will be switching to snow. The high will be in the low 30s and the low will be in the mid 20s. Thursday has an 80% chance of precipitation, starting with snow deminishing to flurries. The high will be in the low 30s and the low will be in the 20s. Friday and Saturday will be partly cloudy with the high in the 20s and the low in the teens. Sunday there will be a chance of snow with the high in the 30s and the low 20s.

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Bits of Talk

by Fay Boeve

Bob and Fay Boeve spent a week over Christmas visiting their daughter and family, Billie and Richie Smith, Peter, and Paul, in Saugerties, NY.

Mrs. Florence McGuire was the honored guest on January first at a 90th birthday party given by Bruce and Cathy McGuire at the Cedar Motel. Her family came from Flushing and Royal Oak for the special occasion. Guests were Gene and Maddie McGuire, Leo and Donna McGuire, Karen McGuire, Andrew McGuire, Mrs. Leslie O'Neill, John and Valetta Pruchnicki, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Armstrong, Becky Withey and Tracy Shaheen. Florence's sister, Eunice Schreiber of Grayling was also a guest.

Florence is the daughter of the late Hugo and Lillian Funk Schreiber, Jr., and the granddaughter of the late Hugo and Agnes Schreiber, Crawford County pioneers. She and her husband lived in Flint for many years, and retired to their home on the AuSable River where she still resides.

Word has been received here that Mrs. Vella Hill had fallen and has a broken shoulder and a broken hip. She has been hospitalized but is already receiving therapy and her daughter is with her. But she would enjoy receiving mail from her friends. Her address is: 4918—14th St. W., K and M Mobile Court Lot G 2, Bradenton, FL 33507.

St. John ladies host luncheon

The Ladies of St. John Lutheran Church will host another luncheon party at 12 noon Wednesday, January 15, in the Fellowship Hall of their church. Everyone is welcome.

For more information, call Lois LaGrow, 348-7011; Dorothy McLeod, 348-9169; or the church office, 348-5224.

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MUZZLELOADER PRIZE—Clayton Bristol, 83, of Grayling, shot a seven-point buck on December 15 during muzzleloader season.

County Commissioners

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ordinance has a 30-day referendum period during which citizens may circulate petitions. If enough signatures are collected, the ordinance could go before a vote of county residents.

Deb Golden expressed concern to the commissioners about the sale of the landfill to City Management Corporation.

"Did anyone check into how they operate other landfills? Did anyone go to the communities where they operate and find out if they are good neighbors?" she asked.

Commissioner Dennis Long said City Management Corporation provided a perspective of the company and the landfill attorney reviewed it.

Golden also asked if a bid process was used for the sale of the landfill.

Commissioner Brian Hulbert, a member of the Crawford-Otsego Solid Waste Management Authority, said the landfill board gave director John Miller the authority to seek bids for the landfill and he sought out four to five companies as possible buyers for the landfill. His first recommendation, which the landfill board approved of, was a different company, not City Management Corporation. That deal to buy the landfill fell through several months ago.

Golden said she was concerned about the sale because it sounded like one man made the decision. She also asked how the county can police what trucks dump at the landfill.

Commissioner Dennis Long said the county will depend on a lot of citizen input — just as it does right now, to help police illegal dumping.

Class of 1972 planning reunion

The Class of 1972 will be holding their first Reunion Committee Meeting on Wednesday, January 15, at 7 p.m. at Hardee's in Grayling. All class members are welcome.

Ken Wyman

SENIOR CARE FORUM PRESENTS.....

"Cardiac Rehabilitation"

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GTE donates \$750 to area organizations

GTE has awarded \$750 in grants to two non-profit organizations through the volunteer efforts of GTE employee Thomas Trenary, William Cronk, Michael Stearns, and the company's Volunteer Initiative Program (VIP).

The Crawford County Museum will receive a \$250 grant on behalf of Thomas Trenary, central office supervisor in Roscommon. The money will be used to build a new building which will provide more display area for the museum. The museum provides information to students and visitors on Crawford County history. Trenary has been a volunteer for ten years.

Roscommon-St. Helen Little League will receive two \$250 grants

on behalf of Bill Cronk, central office technician in Roscommon, and Mike Stearns, facility technician in Prudenville. The money will be used to purchase new umpire and catcher safety equipment, a pitching machine, and repair equipment. Cronk has been a volunteer for two and one-half years and serves as president; Stearns has been a volunteer for five and one-half years and has served as umpire, coach, and minor league vice president.

The VIP program was established in 1984 to recognize and encourage GTE employees who volunteer their time to non-profit groups by awarding a grant of up to \$1,000 to the organization on behalf of the volunteering employee.

Medallion hunt

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But for fires, don't wonder, just call that new number.

2. Oh, the pain of it all, the old timers did say, do not pass go, go camping for hay.

3. Unless you fill up your car with some gas, this clue you surely will want to pass.

Way up on Twin Bridge, just south of the line, on West side of road, is a welcome home sign.

4. Tip toe thru tulips, Tiny Tim did chuckle, and advise, he did you, your

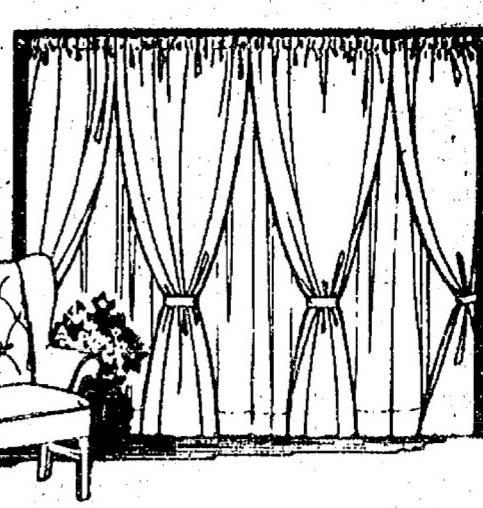
babes you should buckle.

5. Heretofore did we mention, a mirror you will need?

In one of these clues, you will ride a big steed.

On new courts shoot hoops, and raise such a racket, those Beaver Creek troops, don't bag it, they sack it.

Medallion hunters don't have to play every day of the Medallion Hunt. To find the big medallion, hunters will probably need most of the clues from each day to piece together enough information to figure the medallion's location. For any questions concerning the Medallion Hunt, call Mike Shearer.



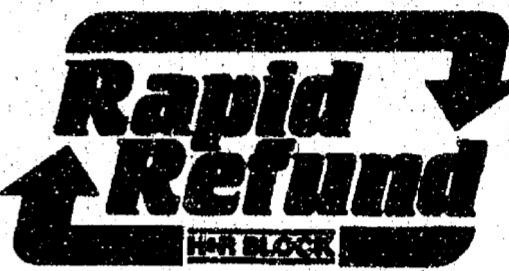
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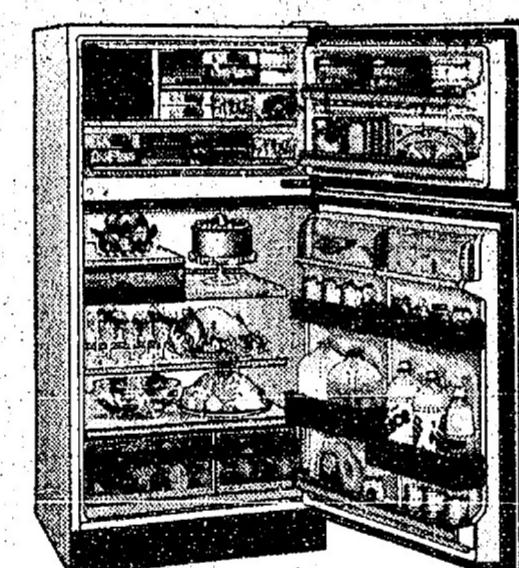
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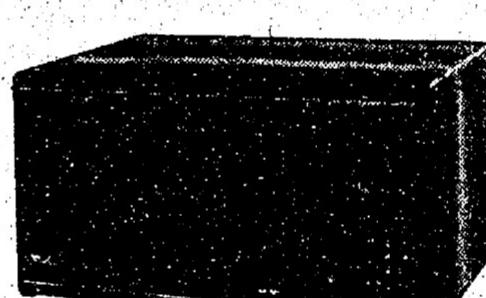


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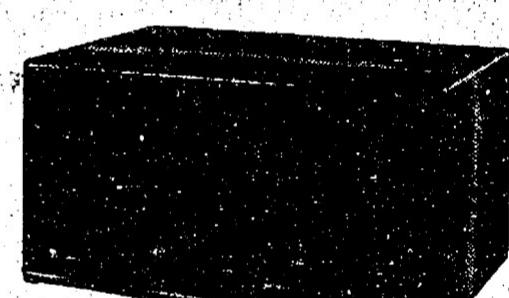


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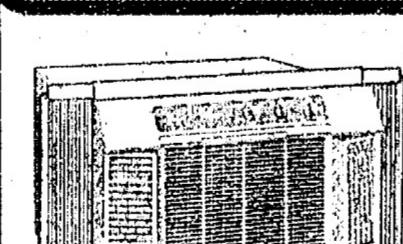
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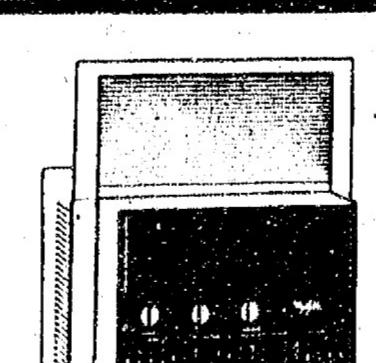


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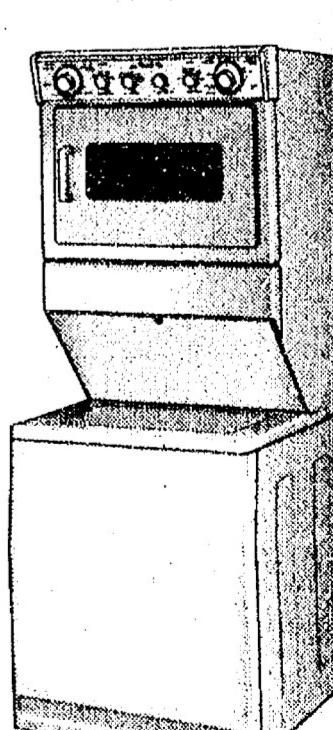
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Opinions

New water rates hard on low-income people

This new increase in the water rates is going to make it really hard on low-income and fixed-income people. And people who rent who have to pay their own water bills will be drove out of the city.

I think if the city wants to jack up the rates and act like they're a big city, then they should consider monthly

billing which would make paying the bills a bit easier. (It's a lot easier trying to come up with \$20 a month than \$60+ for the average 11,000 gallon user.) But tripling the rates is a bit much.

Beth Moore
Grayling

Readers say DNR trying to sweep Salling Pond drawdown under the rug

Now is the time for the people living along the AuSable River, as well as all concerned Grayling citizens to get involved. Should the D.N.R. be successful in removing the City Park Dam, miles of the river bottom will be blackened. This will occur wherever the current slows or an obstruction traps the silt. Some of the spawning beds will also suffer. How long will this upset the ecology? No One Knows!

The D.N.R. talks about returning the river back to its natural state. Why then has the D.N.R. trimmed trees along the river bank. The river was originally shaded by a virgin pine forest which kept it cool. Why are they so concerned about the dam causing an increase in water temperature?

We believe that the D.N.R. acted irresponsibly in the draw-down of Salling Pond. The rate was highly accelerated over the conditions present. The amount of rains that occurred during this time caused excessive amounts of silt to be deposited downstream. It appeared that there was no control over water flowage during this period. For example, six feet of silt was deposited downstream behind Bill Weaver's home leaving only 6' of

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water to flow over the top. It was my understanding that there was going to be some control over the amount of silt flowing downstream. The D.N.R. has not responded to any of our concerns except to say that they had other previous occurrences that may or may not apply to the conditions of this stream. There was no environmental impact study as to the rapid draw-down rate. There is no present study to my knowledge of one being done by the D.N.R. on what is now occurring. This seems to be a "get it over with as fast as we can," "sweep it under the rug" operation. We urge all Grayling citizens to write letters to the following people.

John Engler, Governor, and Connie Binsfeld, Lt. Governor, Executive Office, State Capitol Building, Lansing, MI, 48909.
Dave Camp, U. S. Representative, PO Box 423, Midland, MI, 48640.
Ralph Ostling, State Representative, 103rd District, State Capitol Building, Lansing, MI, 48913.
John Pridnia, State Senator, Room 715, Farmun Building, Lansing, MI, 48909.

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Association" is \$15. All concerned Grayling citizens are encouraged to attend our meeting Monday, January 27, at 7 p.m. at the American Legion. Please contact Darlene Fenn at 348-5923.

Barry & Darlene Fenn

I am writing on behalf of the River House Shelter Staff and volunteers to thank the many individuals and groups who have so generously supported our program during the holiday season.

I have been trying for days to write this letter, but I have encountered a slight "problem." The "problem" is not writer's block; ironically, it is that my train of thought has been consistently interrupted by still more phone calls from people wanting to know how they can help us!

Although it is already the 19th of December, the inquiries continue... "I have stuffed animals that are like new, can you use them?"; "We'd like to 'adopt' a family if that is possible"; "Do you have many families in shelter during Christmas?"; "Can you use a

inflammation of the lungs caused primarily by viral infections. Pneumonia in the elderly and in the very young, consequently, is very deadly. It is for this reason that I wish to caution those of you who may be self-medicating yourselves or your children to call your doctor instead.

Weeks ago, I thought I had a bad cold and was taking this and that without much relief. By the second week, I had become exhausted from coughing but had foolishly begun to take yet another round of even more cold remedies. Late in the third week, I finally gave up and called my doctor who sent me to Mercy Hospital for a chest x-ray. I will not go into how thoroughly I was chastised for my tardiness in caring for myself, but let it suffice to say that my ears still burn when I think of it.

We in the Grayling and surrounding area are most fortunate to have such quality physicians and a facility such as Mercy Hospital. I realize they are not equipped to do heart transplants and such, but they can stabilize even

the most critical or traumatized patients until additional help is available. There are very efficient people in the Emergency Room here, and not only are they most competent, they are courteous as well. The general orderliness of the Emergency Room at our hospital made me feel confident in all they were doing to and for me there. The x-ray technicians took x-rays in short order, and my blood was let to all who required it for whatever reason with minimal aggravation.

Once I was tucked away safe from myself in the south wing, I was delighted at the high level of professionalism everyone there exhibited. To these nurses, aids and other personnel, may I extend my thanks. In addition, the wonderful care I received from Drs. Rosi, Gosling, Palmaire and Case was beyond my ability to express in words.

There are others I wish to thank as well: the cardio/respiratory technicians are a terrific bunch. To the last man and woman, these people really know their stuff. And the x-ray

techs; they too seem without peer. I never waited for them nor was I made to feel as if I was imposing upon their time. A nice feeling this. I never actually met any of the food people at Mercy, but I did experience very tasty meals without salt, fat or many calories. I never thought food could be good without all the goodies, but it certainly was. To Mercy's kitchen and dietary people, my tummy thanks you.

Finally, what probably amazed me the most about my stay at Mercy was how staff people popped into my room to see how I was, how they were performing, and did I have any suggestions to help them help me. I cannot say I'll get sick again soon so I can go back, but I will say that I am very pleased to know those south wing personnel and many others will be ready to cure me of any germs that might find me anytime in the future. My best and good luck.

Shirely D. Schmoock
Grayling

Community's generosity overwhelms River House

our children. And tell them all thanks for making it possible for Carolyn, Rose and me to play Santa."

I couldn't have said it better!
Bard Sands
Community Education Coordinator
River House Shelter

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Letters To The Editor

Answers to America's problems are moral, not monetary

Herein is a respond to the letter printed in the Tuesday, 12/31/91 issue of the Avalanche entitled, "Religious communities cite the bitter harvest in Michigan." We respect the first amendment rights of those "dignitaries" who authored and/or endorsed the letter. As fellow human beings we have nothing personal against any one of them. But, convictions compel us to present some concepts which may challenge their letter.

First, what does the God of the Bible say about the poor? Jesus reminded us that the poor would be with us always. "For ye have the poor with you always, and whosoever ye will ye may do them good . . ." (MAR 14:7). The responsibility for charity begins at home between relatives. "But if any widow have children or nephews, let them learn first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents; for that is good and acceptable before God." (1TI 5:4). "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." (1TI 5:8). This provision is to be made through labor. "For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat." (2TH 3:10). Church charity is primarily for faithful members. (1TIM 5:3-16). Individual charity among brethren is considered as unto the Lord. "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done [it] unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done [it] unto me. (MAT 25:40). Helping anyone in need is fulfilling the second highest moral command to love our neighbor as ourselves. (Luke 10:25-37). But, charity is to be an individual choice of the will, and not a governmental act of forced taxation and redistribution of wealth. The former is Christian charity, the latter is government robbery.

The letter assumed that the state of Michigan bears a large responsibility when her citizens lack food, clothing, and shelter. The letter stated and/or implied that those who do not support, and/or practice the presuppositions,

and positions promoted within the letter are guilty of "cruelty, cynicism, and distortion." The "moral integrity" of some is condemned as "cruel and immoral." The accusations in the letter seem to imply that absolute authority for such condemnation is determined by some ecumenical religious consensus. That is the type system which crucified Jesus Christ.

Several paragraphs began with such words as: "It is a distortion to assume . . . The distortion about welfare . . . It is a distortion to assert . . . It is cruel and cynical to speak . . . It is cruel and cynical to state that . . . It is cruel and cynical to assert that, etc." Therefore to answer this letter is like trying to answer the question, "When are you going to stop beating your wife?"

The letter was not written up here to reflect the problems unique to our northern Michigan community. The majority of those who signed it were from Lansing, Southfield, Saginaw, Detroit, and West Bloomfield. They said, for example, "We condemn the racist overtones which accompany the

rationale for eliminating General Assistance and cutting other social qualifications except their poverty, services . . . Racist overtones endorse our stereotypes, feed our prejudices, prevent addressing real problems, and inflame our fears." Do racial problems or "racist overtones" affect social services to the needy in Crawford County?

The solution which seems to be affluent stressed in the letter calls for enlarging Research and Action Center (FRAC), the welfare state by increased bureaucratic redistribution of wealth. The letter speaks of using the "rainy day" fund, ". . . investment in Michigan's infrastructure and people, revenue generation . . . (and) . . . additional tax revenues." Their philosophy of government is revealed by the statement: "The art of politics, which is the art of compromise for the welfare of all citizens, is simply not in evidence." That statement was preceded by this challenge: "We also call upon the executive and legislative branches to begin the process of governing, a process which has been paralyzed by rigid ideological positions. "By implication, conservatives who were elected by the people of Michigan on the promise of lower taxes and less government expenditure are the ones being branded as cruel, cynical, distorters, racists, and immoral people who hold a rigid ideological position. Some elderly people in this county have told me they are paying more annually for property taxes than they initially paid to purchase their home during the depression years.

There is more to this discourse which was not mentioned in the religious letter. Big bureaucratic government in promoting redistribution of wealth is considered morally and monetarily bankrupt around the world. It is being overthrown by millions of innocent, hungry, cold, poor citizens in Marxist countries who now admit their leaders deceived them. Milton Friedman estimated in November that the United States of America is already at least 50 percent socialist. We are at a dangerous crossroads. Will we in America gamble our future upon more creeping socialism with "bureaucratic redistribution of wealth, or return to more limited government, free markets, and self-determination? J. Robert Dumouchel in *Government Assistance Almanac* states "that 1,183 federal programs presently dispense benefits at a cost of \$736 billion." Should we wait until our problems reach the magnitude of those currently facing Russia before we start changing direction? Marxism is no utopian dream. It has become a nightmare of realities.

Poor people have it rough. Existing on either minimum wage or welfare is almost impossible today. Poor people have reason to feel injustice in America. When tax dollars go to bail out rich financial institutions, while they remain needy, their feelings are justified. When charity goes overseas to our former enemies while our friends at home are needy, their feelings are justified. When government rent control and regulations remove housing from the reach of the poor in many places in America, their feelings are justified. When the poor are discriminated against because they

The parents of my wife burned corn in the stove to keep warm. We raised most of our own food. We lived for years with no modern luxuries like electricity, running water, indoor plumbing, or central heat. Neighbors visited each other on a regular basis to make sure everyone was all right. Each family assumed responsibility for their own needs. We had no insurance. Doctors made house calls. The hospital was a place to die. When someone was down, neighbors chipped in to help him over the hump. Our clothes were often home made and simple. Yet, we were proud of our families, our neighborhoods, our schools, and our churches. No one called attention to how poor or handicapped we were. One teacher used to point southwest from a window at school and tell us how Abraham Lincoln grew up just a few miles across the fields. Those were very hard years, but they gave us some of the happiest memories of our lives. Those were character building years that give us strength in adversity, and hope for the future. The strength of our spiritual and moral values provided us with a great heritage even during the depression years when we possessed little of material value.

But, today a much richer America is divided and in conflict concerning which underlying values will determine our future. There appears to still be a large majority of ordinary people who claim to believe in the old historical, or traditional American values. But, there is a militant counterculture which is blatantly bent on challenging and destroying the moral and spiritual values which built our nation. Sin is often rewarded as a virtue, while righteousness is condemned as a vice. God is blasphemed while the sinner is honored. The Bible is rejected while human opinion is revered.

As a result, homelessness is

increased as divorce places a family which can barely afford one home into the search for two residences. Sin caused diseases like AIDS, arc undermining the insurance and health care system until often the elderly are being robbed of the quality care they purchased during long years of labor. Drunkards and drug addicts are perpetuating poverty upon their own innocent family members, and endangering the entire community with increased violence. Were America to repent of these sins alone, the money saved could be sufficient to house, feed, clothe, and educate every poor person in America. The savings

to industry could restore American superiority on the world markets.

The answers to America's problems are spiritual and moral, not monetary. Problems created by, and perpetuated by sin will never be overcome by more government redistribution of wealth. Spiritual revival alone can restore American culture to her historical roots of greatness. As long as religious leaders in America point to government instead of God as the primary solution to our problems, we will continue to go the way of Russia and the other ungodly nations.

Dr. Robert J. Barnett
Grayling



Meldrum, Jablons wed

Dr. Melissa Lynn Meldrum and Dr. David Mark Jablons were married Sunday, November 10, 1991, at 5 p.m., at the Central Presbyterian Church in New York. The Rev. William Pindar officiated. A dinner dance reception followed aboard the MS Riveranda.

The bride, who is 28 years old, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Petrie of Grayling. She was given in marriage by her stepfather, Mr. Petrie and attended by her three sisters: Dr. Elizabeth Bakeman, Ms. Amy Youngblood, Ms. Tina Meldrum; and by the sister of the bridegroom, Ms. Pamela Jablons.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Mitchell Jablons of New York. He is currently a fellow in Cardio-Thoracic Surgery at Cornell University Medical College at the New York Hospital and Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. He is 34 years old and a graduate of the Riverdale Country School, Yale College and the Albany Medical College of Union University in Albany, NY.

Dr. Jablons received his M.D. degree. Dr. Jablons received his training in general surgery at Tufts-New England Medical Center in Boston, Massachusetts. He has also completed a three-year fellowship in surgical oncology at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) in Bethesda, Maryland.

The bride is currently a second year resident in ophthalmology at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute of the University of Miami, Florida. She graduated summa cum laude from the University of Michigan and the University of Michigan Medical School where she received her M.D. degree.

Dr. Jablons' father is the international marketing manager for the Television Bureau of Advertising in New York. His mother, Josephine Jablons, a former newspaper reporter, is a founder and a past president of the New York City Opera Guild and a former member of the Board of Directors of the City Center of Music and Drama.

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Local officiating crew honored for football season work

A local crew of referees, used to receiving individual honors for their work, were recognized last fall as one of the best officiating crews in the state.

Butch Brown, Mark Golnick, Dave Lovely, Bill Root, and Terry Wakeley

were honored as a group when they were selected to work both a pre-regional game and a regional game in the Michigan high school football playoffs. Only the best officials from all the registered referees in the state are selected by the Michigan High School Athletics Association for play-off games.

The local crew was also honored when all five were selected to officiate a Michigan high school All-Star game scheduled for next August at the Michigan State University football field.

Individually, the five officials have been receiving honors for years.

Terry Wakeley, an official for 26 years, has worked six pre-regional games, five regionals, four semi-finals, and one class C final (in 1989).

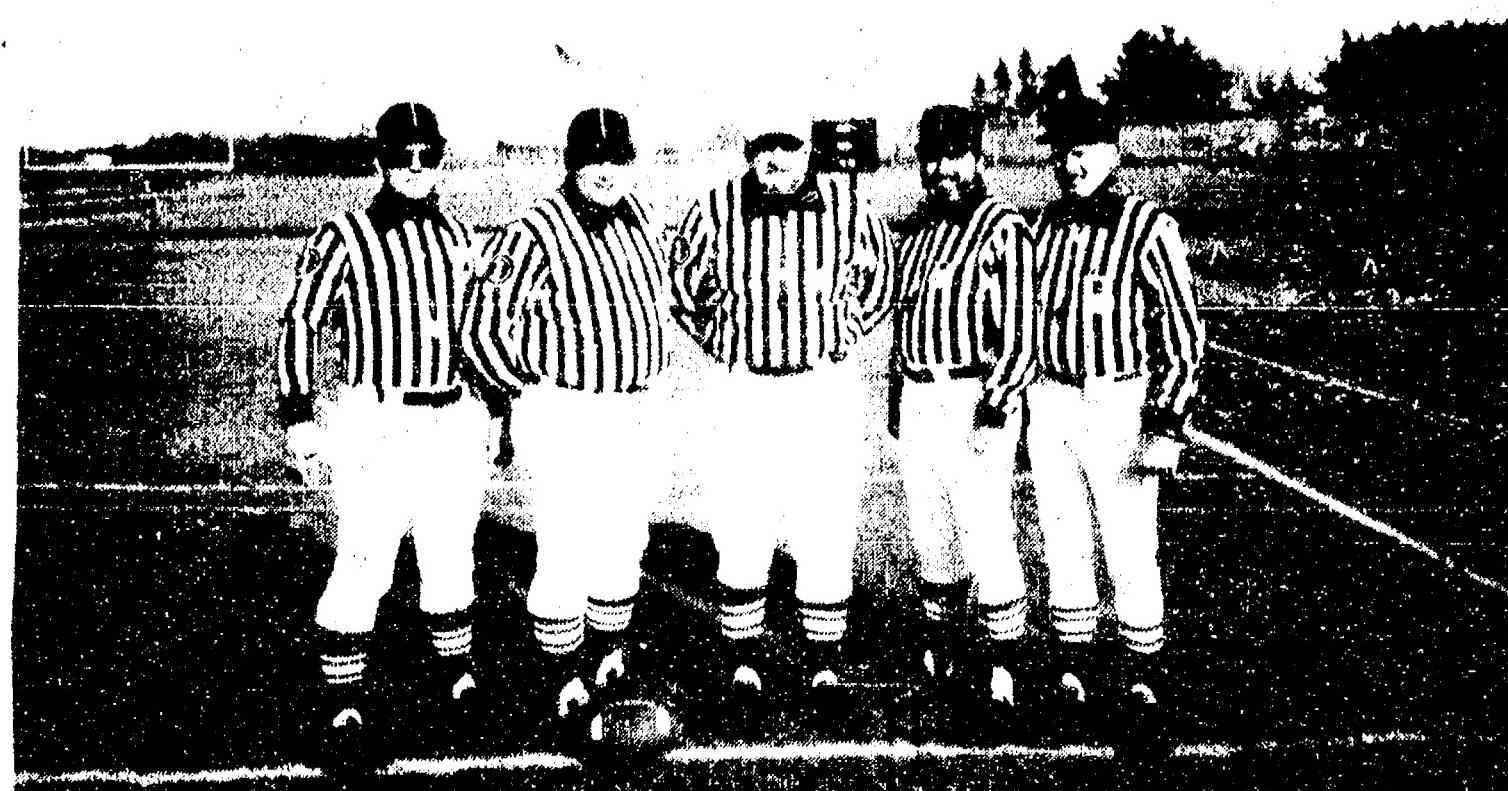
Butch Brown, an official for 25 years, has worked eight pre-regionals, 11 regionals, six semi-finals, and one class C final (in 1987).

Bill Root, an official for 11 years, has worked three pre-regionals, two regionals, three semi-finals, and one class DD final (in 1991).

Mark Golnick, an official for ten years, has worked two pre-regionals, two regionals, one semi-final, and one class DD final (in 1990).

Dave Lovely, an official for eight years, has worked one pre-regional, one regional, and one semi-final.

All are members of the Crawford-Otsego Officials Association. Brown is president of the football division of that association.



TOP-NOTCH OFFICIATING CREW—The local officiating crew of (left to right) Dave Lovely, Mark Golnick, Butch Brown, Bill Root, and Terry Wakeley were honored this fall by being selected to officiate two high school football play-off games together as a crew. The entire crew was also selected to officiate an All-Star game in August at Michigan State University.

Juniors Schweizer, Mack win wrestling tournament

The Grayling High School wrestling team had medal winners in two recent invitational tournaments—Freeland on December 28 and Mason County Central on January 4.

Sophomore Ken Kent (103 pounds) and junior Sam Mack (135) placed 2nd at the Freeland Invitational. Sophomore Brent Kernstock (171) came in 4th.

Grayling took 9th place out of 16 teams.

Also contributing to the Viking win were sophomore Brian Robinson (145), senior Don Baker (152), junior Tim Mead (130), sophomore Jerry Weaver (140) and freshman Jason Secord (160).

Last year, GHS placed 3rd at Freeland. Coach Don Ferguson said the team is improving all the time and training to get back to that level of competitiveness.

MASON COUNTY CENTRAL
Grayling placed 5th out of 12 teams with 94 points at Mason County Central last Saturday.

Ludington was 1st (158 points); Greenville, 2nd (148); Hesperia, 3rd (125 1/2); and Mason County Central, 4th (103).

Junior Tom Schweizer (189) and Mack took 1st place honors.

Kent won 2nd place and Weaver and Baker placed 4th.

Robinson and Kernstock scored points for the Vikings.

"The team showed a lot of improvement," said Coach Ferguson. "We won the last four years and came in 5th this year. The kids think we can come back next year and take it."

The Viking matmen travel to Rogers City for a conference duo meet on Thursday, January 9, at 6 p.m.



Tom Schweizer



Sam Mack

Sports

Welser takes 1st at Sugar Loaf ski meet

Jayson Welser, of Grayling, took first place in the giant slalom and helped lead his Ferris State University team to first place in a ski meet Sunday, Jan. 5, at Sugar Loaf Mt.

Welser and his teammates came in first in a meet featuring competition from throughout the state. The University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Central Michigan University, Western Michigan University,

and Grand Valley State College were among the schools represented.

The giant slalom was run on two different courses. Welser had the fastest time for two runs and won a medal. He also earned points for the Olympic try-outs.

Welser, a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School, was also a top skier for the GHS ski team. He is a senior at Ferris, with a major in marketing.

Houghton Lake beats both 7th grade teams

The Grayling Middle School 7th grade A team fell to Houghton Lake, 37-33, on December 19.

Eddie Bayham was leading scorer with eight points.

"The kids did a good job individually and now our goals are to play as a team and improve on defense," said Coach John Junttila.

B SQUAD GAME

The 7th grade B squad also was defeated by the Bobcats, 37-22.

Shane Youngblood led the Viking scoring with seven points. Scott Ritter added four and Mike Moshier, three.

Grayling started well, leading 7-2 after the first quarter and 10-9 at the half.

But in the second half, "we didn't execute offensive plays," said Coach John Smock. "It was a bad fourth quarter. We scored only two points, and the defense played poorly."

"We'll have to execute offensively and play together defensively the next game," said Coach Smock.

The 7th grade teams host Roscommon on Wednesday, January 9, with the B squad tip-off at 6 p.m. and the A team game following.

Junior Pro Basketball

Boys Game Stats January 4 3rd/4th Grade

Team
Wolohan Lumber Clippers
Little Caesars Celtics
Camp Grayling Bullets
Grayling State Bank Bulls
McDonald's Trailblazers

W-L	5th/6th Grade
4-0	Rochette's Lakers
3-0	Cornell Agency Nuggets
3-1	McEvers SuperSonics
3-1	Mac's Drugs Hawks
2-2	Roscommon Bucks

Game Results: Nuggets, 14; Sonic, 11; Blazers, 29; Bucks, 17; Celtics, 40; Lakers, 33; Clippers, 33; Bullets, 31; Bulls, 21; Hawks, 10.

5th/6th Grade

Team
Bayham Forrest Products Spurs

W-L

Glen's Markets Spartans

3-1

Grayling Fuelgas Heat

3-1

R & H Sports Pistons

2-2

Bears Country Inn Timberwolves

2-2

Northland Credit Union Suns

1-3

DuBois Lumber Mustangs

1-3

Ramaswamy Jazz

0-4

Game Results: Spurs, 35; Mustangs, 16; Suns, 23; Spartans, 19; Heat, 31; Pistons, 19; Wolves, 30; Jazz, 15.

Each member of the Timberwolves, Spartans, and Suns to bring a dozen doughnuts for concession stand.

AAU basketball sign-ups starting

Registration for the AuSable Valley AAU girls basketball club is being held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School Saturday, January 11.

Girls 12 to 15 years old should bring a copy of their birth certificate, recent photo, and \$30 registration fee. Call Harold Mertes, 348-9744 for more information.

Bear's Bowmen Archery League

Tuesday Night League resumes after a 2-week holiday vacation. A new Wednesday Night League starts January 8th at approximately 7 p.m. Open shooting on Sundays, continued. Fees are: members \$50-\$1, non members \$1-\$2, 12-5 p.m. All are welcome. Bring in the young ones and let them learn safety and proper handling of the bow. Membership meeting is the second Sunday of every month.

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Vikings win overtime thriller

The Grayling High School boys varsity basketball team beat the Kalkaska Blazers in overtime, 79-75, on January 3.

The hard ball game against two evenly matched teams was a seesaw contest all evening, with the Vikings slightly ahead, 13-12, after the first quarter and the Blazers in the lead, 37-32, at half-time.

Grayling went ahead, 48-45, in the third period, and established a nine-point lead in the fourth. But Kalkaska caught up and took the lead in the closing seconds of the game.

With four seconds remaining, junior Eric LaForest passed to junior Mark Kraus, who scored a lay-up to tie the game, taking it into overtime.

The Vikings, behind a supportive and noisy home crowd, dominated the final three minutes of overtime action.

LaForest led the Grayling scoring effort with 22 points. Junior Mike Kirno followed with 19.

"We got a lot of points out of our bench," said Coach Tom Mills. Juniors Nick Hebekeuser, Matt Cragg and Kraus together added 22.

Coach Mills said the whole team did well on offensive rebounding.

Kirno led the squad with eight assists.

Mark Kraus added defensive intensity when he came off the bench and we started pressing in the third quarter," said Mills.

To that point, the Vikings used man-to-man half court and zone defenses, both of which were ineffective against the Blazers.

The Vikings "weren't reacting to the movement. They were reacting after the kid caught the pass," said Mills. "It hurt us. We were up three points, then down by six."

But the Grayling defense improved in the pivotal third period, when the Vikings began refusing to give the opponents easy shots and playing an

up-tempo game that employed the full-court press.

"We have to pick up our defensive intensity more," said Mills. "We allowed them to make easy passes and baskets."

Mills added that although the Vikings were aggressive, he was disappointed they committed so many touch fouls.

"You can't commit 38 fouls and expect to win. Statistically, we shouldn't have won the game. In terms of desire, yes."

Kalkaska was 25 for 44 (47%) at the foul line. The Vikings were 11 for 34

for a dismal 32%. In the crucial fourth

quarter, Grayling made one free throw

for ten attempts.

The Vikings also had 32 turnovers.

"But we offset that with other things we had to do to win," Mills continued. "We had more assists, deflections and steals. We had 22 offensive rebounds. (The average is less than ten.) That's really good. But we probably allowed them the same."

"We moved the ball better than in the past, hitting the open player. There was more involvement by everyone in the offense. We never gave up. There

were times when we could have, but we didn't. It was a real team effort. Everyone contributed."

"It was a good victory against a decent ball club," said Mills.

He praised the hometown fans. "As Grayling came back, the crowd really got into it. The home court advantage came into play in overtime. They yelled and screamed. It was a large, good, vocal crowd."

"We needed confidence," said Mills of a squad that was looking for its first victory Friday evening. "That kind of win gives you confidence. I was excited for the kids. They worked really hard in practice and deserved to win."

The Vikings host Brimley on Saturday, January 11.

"Last year they were an outstanding ball club," said Mills. "They lost two starters this year, but they still beat Kalkaska and the Soo. It will be a real good test for us. We'll have to raise our playing level up a notch to compete."

The varsity squad will meet the Brimley Bays after the junior varsity contest, which begins at 5 p.m.

JVs tromp on Kalkaska 53-29

The Grayling High School boys junior varsity basketball team defeated Kalkaska, 53-29, on Friday evening.

"It was a really good first half," said Coach Warren (Butch) Hayes. "We were up, 30-5. The kids played super defense and their shot selection was excellent. They took only three shots outside the key (and only four in the second half). They beat the defense and showed patience to work for the better shot."

Sophomore Brandon Walsh led the Viking scoring attack with ten points. He was followed closely by sophomores Chris DiPonio and Josh Wells, who had nine points each. Freshman Shane Hinkle added seven. Sophomore Chris Wolcott and freshman Brian Dunckley contributed four apiece. Sophomore Jeff Mier and Tim Donahoe had three each. Sophomores Max Thompson and Matt VanSickle made two apiece.

"Ten of the 11 kids who played scored," said Coach Hayes. "It was balanced scoring, which is important."

Walsh also led in the rebounding column with seven. DiPonio had four and Mier added three.

Hayes said that Hinkle, Donahoe and Wolcott had good movement on offense and led in assists.

Mier, Walsh and Wells did well defensively, he said, plugging up the middle.

The Vikings had an outstanding 60 deflections.

Grayling was ten for 25 (40%) at the foul line compared to Kalkaska's 15 for 37 (41%).

The JV squad hosts Brimley on Saturday, January 11. They played the Bays in the Kalkaska Christmas Tournament last year, but this year's team is an unknown, said Hayes.

"We'll have to play well to beat them," he concluded.

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FRI. 10	•ADULT EDUCATION REGISTRATION
SAT. 11	•MISS GRAYLING PAGEANT @ Grayling High School, •VB INVITATIONAL @ Petoskey, 10 am.
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TUES. 14	•ADULT EDUCATION REGISTRATION. •KIWANIS LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chlef Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ noon, Copper Kettle Steak House & Lounge.
WED. 15	•GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY meeting @ Grayling township offices on M-72 West, 5 pm. •ADULT EDUCATION REGISTRATION. •VB VS. ALCONA, away, 6 pm. •MS BBB VS. GAYLORD ST. MARY, home, 6 pm. •ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ noon, Chlef Shoppenagon's Motor Hotel. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church on M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm, meeting 5:30 pm. •HS & MS EXAMS. •BLOODMOBILE @ The American Legion, 12 - 5:45 pm. •LIONS MEETING @ Irongate Restaurant, 6:30 pm.

NOTICE
The Crawford County Board of Commissioners has scheduled the following dates to meet as a Committee of the whole at 7:00 pm in the Crawford County Courthouse, Grayling, MI, for an open discussion with the public relative to future goals of the County:

January 9, 1992 January 23, 1992
February 6, 1992 February 20, 1992
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Obituaries

Betty Black

Betty (Brown) Black, formerly Betty Jane Parkinson, 66, of Rantoul, Illinois, died on December 26, 1991, at Covenant Medical Center in Urbana, Illinois, after a brief illness.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 28, 1991, at American Lutheran Church at Rantoul with Rev. Marvin Remmers and Rev. William Shields officiating. Burial was at Eden Park Cemetery in Rantoul.

Mrs. Black was born October 5, 1925, in Grayling, to Claud and Neillie Young Parkinson.

Survivors include: son, Clayton "Butch" Brown of Grayling; daughters, Cindy Sisler of Oscoda and Cathy Albers of Thomasboro, Illinois; seven grandchildren; two brothers, Claud Parkinson of Republic, and Jim Parkinson of Alpena; two sisters, Helen Bogue of Grayling and Norma Barber of Victoria, Texas. She was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and one sister.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Betty Black Memorial Fund, Rt. 4 Box 4179, Grayling, MI 49738.

Dow Hatcher

Dow J. Hatcher, 83, of Grayling, died Wednesday, January 1, 1992, at Mercy Manor in Grayling. A graveside service will be held at Elmwood Cemetery in the spring.

Mr. Hatcher was born September 20, 1908, in Kentucky. He moved to Beaver Creek from Belleville in 1970. He was a retired automobile salesman and a member of Masonic Lodge #480 in Allen Park. He was preceded in death by his wife, Florence in 1970; son, Lawrence; daughter, Rosemerle Threlfall; one sister; three brothers; and by his parents, James and Abashaba (Holloway) Hatcher.

Survivors include: daughters, Linda Marshall of Grayling and Patricia Wood of Reed City; sons, James Hatcher of Taylor, Richard Hatcher of Kalamazoo, and Donald Hatcher of Beaver Creek; sisters, Louise Bailey of Westland, and Eunice Welch of Lima, Ohio.

Mary Lea

Mary Amelia Lea, 89, of Findlay, Ohio, died Monday, December 30, 1991, at Blanchard Valley Hospital after a brief illness. Funeral services were held Thursday, January 2, 1992, at Kirkpatrick-Behnke Funeral Home, in Findlay, Ohio, with Rev. Dan M. Carzoo officiating. Burial was in Maple Grove Cemetery in Findlay.

Mrs. Lea was born July 18, 1902, in Titusville, Pennsylvania, to George J. and Olive (Eason) Marks. On November 5, 1927, she was married to Dudley L. Lea, and they had had a cottage in Grayling where they were summer residents for many years. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church in Findlay, the Thursday Conversational Club, Arts and Letters, Findlay Country Club Ladies Bridge, and Blanchard Valley Hospital Auxiliary Twig #4. Mrs. Lea was a 1925 graduate of Wells College.

She was preceded in death by her husband on October 11, 1988, and by a brother. She is survived by a cousin, Robert Marks of Auburn, New York.

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Revelations 22:14

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Date: 12/29/91
Alton T. Davis P24472, Judge

Eva Ritter

Eva Dorothy Ritter, 78, of Frederic, died Friday, December 27, 1991, at Mercy Hospital in Grayling. Cremation has taken place. A memorial service was held Tuesday, December 31, 1991, at the Covell-Smith Funeral Home in Kingsley, with Rev. John Gleason officiating.

Mrs. Ritter was born November 23, 1913, in Fife Lake, to Albert and Della (Ingersoll) Haskin. She was raised in Fife Lake, then lived in Sharon after her marriage, and has been a resident of Frederic since 1952. She had worked in the Senior Companion Program of the Commission on Aging, and was a member of the Frederic Hobby Club.

She was preceded in death by one son, Carroll Kimball in 1983; seven brothers and sisters, Erwin Haskin, Erva Burt, Ada McCabe, Lucy Kelly, Lester Haskin, Elsie Birgy and Ann Robbins.

Survivors include: sons, Glen Kimball of Oklahoma City and Thomas Kimball of Kincheloe; three daughters, Kaye Welch and Beryl Kammer, both of Frederic, and Judith Haas of Bradenton, Florida; sister, Mae Clark of North Carolina; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the American Cancer Society c/o Nelson Funeral Home, 135 N. Center, Gaylord, MI 49735.

In memory of Ed LaMotte

We never knew that morning,
The sorrow that day would bring.
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In Memory of Ed LaMotte

Although it's been three years since you went away, you're still in our thoughts with each passing day.

You may be gone but you will never be forgotten.

Minard, Paula,
Mo Harwood

Cards of thanks

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the doctors and staff at Mercy Hospital and North Flight Ambulance for the excellent care I received while a patient at Mercy Hospital. Also thanks to the many friends and relatives who sent cards, flowers, candy, and visited. I could no way thank each of you individually. Thank you so much.

Angela Kirkum

Gastropasty support group meeting

The next meeting of the "New Beginnings" Gastropasty support group will be held Monday, February 10, at 7 p.m. in the Board Room at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

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Dorothy Tolles

Dorothy H. Tolles, 81, of Gaylord, died Saturday, January 4, 1991, at Tendercare of Gaylord. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 8, 1992, at 11 a.m., at the Otsego Lake Baptist Church, with Rev. Peter Porta officiating. Burial will be in Silver Lake Cemetery in Wolverine.

Mrs. Tolles was born September 25, 1910, in Fife Lake, to Albert and Della (Ingersoll) Haskin. She was raised in Fife Lake, then lived in Sharon after her marriage, and has been a resident of Frederic since 1952. She had worked in the Senior Companion Program of the Commission on Aging, and was a member of the Frederic Hobby Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl, on November 21, 1981. Together they had owned and operated Carl's Electrical Service in Gaylord.

Survivors include: daughters, Viola "Pat" (Robert) Kilbourn of Gaylord, Irene (Dale) Peterson of Grayling, and Emma (Joseph) Wolf of Bradenton, FL; 11 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

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Women Survivors' Groups forming

An ongoing treatment group is being formed to assist women in resolving issues resulting from childhood incest, sexual abuse, or molestation.

The groups will be facilitated by therapists Lawrence Gust, M.S.W., and Sandra Altman, B.S.W., both registered social workers. The groups will create a safe, confidential, and sharing environment in which women can allow themselves to heal the wounds of the past. Referrals are now being accepted.

The groups will meet on Thursdays, with the day group meeting from 1 to 2:30 p.m. and the evening group from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The groups will meet at St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce Street, Grayling. Cost will be \$15 per session. The first group will meet on January 16.

For additional information call evenings: 517-348-9366 or 517-348-2267.

Bits Of Talk

Zackary Michael Palmer, born November 2, 1991, and his mother, Mrs. Jeffrey Palmer of Las Vegas, Nevada, arrived at the Traverse City airport on December 26 to visit his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Powers, of Traverse City, and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Palmer, of Grayling. He also saw his great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Palmer and Mrs. George R. Palmer while in Grayling.

Delbert White

Delbert J. "Del" White, 61, of Stockbridge and Grayling, died at his home December 23, 1991, following a courageous battle with Cancer.

Mr. White was born December 22, 1930, in Howell, to John and Myrtle (Brace) White. He enjoyed his many trips to Grayling and their home on the AuSable River. He retired from Rockwell International in 1981 and then was employed with Jackson Manufacturing retiring on April 17, 1991. He was a veteran of the US Navy, and attended St. Paul United Church of Christ.

He married Nancy C. Eisemann in Chelsea on November 24, 1956, and she survives as does his four children and their spouses: Daniel and Teresa White and Donald and Barb White, all of Chelsea, Dennis and Stephanie White, and Sue White and Mark Gasieski all of Stockbridge; nine grandchildren; and one brother, Richard White of Columbiaville.

Funeral services were held Friday, December 27, 1991, at St. Paul United Church of Christ with Rev. Erwin R. Koch officiating. Burial was in North Waterloo Cemetery, Stockbridge.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the AuSable Youth Camp, M-72, Grayling, Michigan, or Hospice of Washtenaw, 806 Airport Blvd., Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103.

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Verse or Worse

By Joe Murphy

One More Time Around

As we old timers look back upon our life
Filled with hard work and tears
You might think we are glad it's over
That long struggle through the years

But though times were tough and wages low
There was a lot of satisfaction to be found
I'm sure that you would find that we were willing
To have one more time around

Even if we could not change a thing
Every day exactly as it was before
You would find very few not willing
To go through their lives once more

The loves we had and somehow lost
Would still fill our hearts with pain
Still for those fleeting moments of life's joy
We would be willing to bear it all again

Those hot days of hard work and sweat
When we cussed the life of a working man
We would gladly do them all once more
If we could go around again

So don't be one to wish your life away
Even if your life is all struggle and strain
For I am sure that someday you too
Would be happy if you could go around again

Though you may think we have it made
Now that the end of our working days we've found
But I know most of us would trade our leisure
If we could have one more time around

Animals You Can Help

PUPPIES AVAILABLE--The new animal shelter run by Dixie Lobsinger has shepherd-mixed puppies looking for a good home. The new shelter is open 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Saturday and its new telephone number is 348-4117. Donations of blankets or food for the animals are welcome. Residents may also volunteer time at the shelter. Any help will be appreciated.

Features**Your Horoscope**

Forecast Period: January 12-January 18, 1992

ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Lady Luck turns her face in your direction. Accept graciously any honors bestowed on you. Secrets must be kept. Your influence will be felt on matters pertaining to teamwork. Lead by example.

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

Be alert. Problems are likely to cause emotions to wear thin. Do not postpone the inevitable. Take the opportunities afforded you to travel. Accept whatever invitations come your way and enjoy.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

Finances make necessities difficult so luxuries are out of the question. Part-employment may be the answer to your dilemma.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Romantic rendezvous may have to be cancelled. Happily, your partner will not mind and may provide a better alternative.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Look back and remember the good times. These memories may not always be with you, nor those with whom you share them.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Emphasis should be on the home. Dig into forgotten closets and discard what is not needed. Scrub until no dirt remains.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Your teaching abilities will be called upon. Show those in charge that you have what it takes to get ahead.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Cool your heels where investments are concerned. Do not jump into risky ventures. Be cautious with your finances.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Ask questions. Demand answers. Give much thought before making any changes that will affect your career.

PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Relationship starts off with a bang. Do not expect it to be so emotional forever. Time will bring contentment.

'The Avalanche'

Your hometown newspaper

A Look At Our Past from the pages of the Avalanche

23 years ago**January 9, 1969**

City Manager William Valusiek announced Monday that the City Council has appointed Robert Bovee as councilman to fill the vacancy created when A. J. Sorenson resigned as Mayor effective the first of January.

Bovee's appointment is for the remainder of Sorenson's unexpired term which is up in April of this year. At this time two seats on the council will be up for election.

Bovee has been a math teacher and student counselor in the Grayling Public Schools for the past 20 years. He resides with his family at 505 Ingaham St.

Col. and Mrs. Garland Joyce of Royal Oak and Lake Margrethe are grandparents to the Lake's newest summer resident, Christopher William Joyce, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Joyce. He was born November 30.

SP/5 Dennis J. Rochette arrived home on December 21 to spend the Christmas holidays with his family. He left December 28 to finish his overseas duty in Camranh Bay, Vietnam.

Jay Mathews, son of Mrs. Joye Mathews, arrived home on Saturday, December 21, to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother. He left on Friday, December 27, to return to Millington Naval Base in Memphis, Tenn. where he is now stationed.

Rick Post, son of the Morden Posts, left Thursday for Detroit Art Academy after spending a month at home recovering from surgery performed at Mercy Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Millikin and daughters, Sandy and Beth, returned home New Year's night after enjoying a vacation at Ft. Myers, Fla., where they visited the Curly Warners. While there they saw the Frank Bonds, Marus Hansons and Wesley Kumpulas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Joseph spent three days this week attending the spring apparel show at Cobo Hall in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Rowland, Janet and Jim, returned home Saturday from a 16-day vacation at Anna Marie Island, Bradenton, Fla. Janet returned to her studies at CMU, Mt. Pleasant, on Sunday.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaauw and family over the weekend was their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Maynard of Lansing. They returned home Sunday taking with them the Blaauw's daughter, Jackie, who will resume her studies at Lansing Community College. Their son, Fred, will start the new year by attending Kirtland Community Col-

Pet Care Tip

If you're feeding the winter birds, you can't stop when the blizzards come. Make birds that otherwise might migrate dependent on you and their lives truly can end without your assistance. Either don't start to feed the birds or don't stop.

Weekend Crossword

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWER

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22	Brief							
24	Tanned hide							
26	Amount, abbr.							
28	River, Sp.							
29	Type of hunter							
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38	Lock of hair							
40	Offered in print, int.							
41	Eliminate							
42	Encountered							
43	Hereditary determiner							
44	Not using fluid							
47	Move slightly							
49	Human nose, slang							
51	Gets along							
52	Head, Fr.							
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9	Idaho's capital							
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The Bible Speaks

From The
Calvary Baptist Church

National Religious Morality?

The father of our country, George Washington, stated weighty words of wisdom in his farewell address as our national leader, almost 200 years ago, in September 17, 1796:

"Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports. In vain would that man claim the tribute of patriotism who should labor to subvert these great pillars of human happiness — these firmest props of the duties of men and citizens. The mere politician, equally with the pious man, out to respect and cherish them. A volume could not trace all their connections with private and public felicity. Let it simply be asked, where is the security for property, for reputation, for life, if the sense of religious obligation desert the oaths which are the instruments of investigation in courts of justice? And let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be

maintained without religion. Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure, reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."

"It is substantially true that virtue or morality is a necessary spring of popular government. The rule indeed extends with more or less force to every species of free government. Who that is a sincere friend to it can look with indifference upon attempts to shake the foundations of the fabric?"

"Have we outgrown the wisdom of our founding fathers? Have we destroyed our "great pillars of human happiness" by disregarding the moral "duties of men and citizens?" Without religious standards, what will determine our "national morality?" Will right and wrong be determined merely by democratic human vote? Will fickle human opinion direct our conscience? This process once crucified our Lord Jesus Christ! But they cried out, Away with [him], away

with [him], crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar." (JOH 19:15). Is human government replacing God in America?

"The wise [men] are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD; and what wisdom [is] in them?" (JER 8:9). "For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I [am], and none else beside me." (ISA 47:10).

Pastor "B"

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Commission On Aging

By Jan Farley

Nineteen hundred ninety-two is a week old now and I hope that it is beginning to be a wonderful new year for everyone. The weather certainly cooperated and was nice for the holiday travelers and the Weather Service has revised its earlier prediction of a hard winter to a less severe and relatively mild one again. The Snow Bird hardly have to go south anymore! (Ha Ha) Anyway, the best to you — in '92! We are looking forward to having a banner year at the Center and remember this is your Center and this means all of the wonderful senior citizens in Crawford County! Join in the merry-making and the congregate meals; come in and have fun with us because it sure beats looking at four walls and feeling lonely. Make new friends or renew old ones in this brand new "leap" year, for as you know, you have one more day to find happiness and contentment.

Congregate meals are served at 12 noon and five o'clock. Call for reservations, 348-7123. Donation for seniors, \$1.50, and \$2.50 cost for those under 60. Menus listed as Lunch/Dinner:

Wednesday-8-Beef Pot Pie/Swiss Steak;

Thursday-9-Chicken Stir Fry/Baked Ham;

Friday-10-Beef Ragout;

Monday-13-Glazed Ham/Steak & Tomato Stew;

Tuesday 14-Chic Chop Suey/Meatballs;

Wednesday-15-Home Fried Steak/Ionian Pork Roast;

Thursday-16-Beef Tips & Noodles/Liver & Onions;

Friday-17-Chicken & Dumplings.

Special Dates:

January 8 & 22-Phyllis Brummer will be on hand from 9 to 11:30 to help seniors with their Medicare and Medicaid problems. If you are unable

to come in you may give her a call at 348-7123. This service is offered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, each month. (Please note January change)

January 8-Blood pressures and sugars taken 11:30.

January 9-Foot Clinic by appointment.

January 10-South Branch Satellite at 11:30; Dance with Tina at the Center at 12:30.

January 14-5:00, Birthday Dinner; and 5:30, DJ Dance to the oldies!

January 15-5:30, Revised date for COA Board Meeting.

January 17-11:30, Lovells Satellite and at 1:30, legal help at the Center.

January 19-4:00, COA and AARP Potluck, Bring a dish to pass and your tableware, anyone welcome,

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Church Directory



The Chemistry Of Character

There is no precise formula. But there are certain elements usually found in significant measure in persons of character.

One is belief; and not just belief in one's self. The men and women we most admire generally have strong convictions which influence their daily lives.

Another is commitment . . . far beyond mere involvement. Those who stir our admiration devote their time and talents unselfishly to worthwhile causes.

And there's usually a third element; but it's never boasted of or paraded about. That's sacrifice. People of character are always willing

to deny themselves something to achieve something greater.

Nearby are plenty of "laboratories" where belief, commitment and sacrifice combine to produce character. They're called churches and synagogues.



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Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Luke Psalm Psalm Isaiah Isaiah Isaiah Isaiah

1:26-38 24:1-10 107:1-43 11:1-9 42:10-17 52:1-12 52:13-53:12

First Baptist Church Of Frederic

Rev. Jim Wright

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 p.m.

Christ Missionary Minister H.A. Hennig

4 Mi. East of Frederic

County Rd. 612

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship & Praise 11 a.m.
Sun. Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wed. Prayer, Bible Study 6 p.m.

Christian Science Society

209 First St. -- Suite 103 -- Gaylord
Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.
April through October
2nd Wednesday 8 p.m.

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church

Minister Dr. Dennis N. Paulson
400 Michigan Ave.

Church School 11:15-12:15
Worship Services 10 a.m.
Bible Study (Wed.) 10 a.m.
Senior Choir (Thurs.) 7 p.m.

Seventh Day Adventist

Pastor David Stramel

Phone 348-4445

Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable in 1st building on the right off new entrance road.
Church Service 9:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting Tues 7 p.m.

Grayling Assembly of God

Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor

Old 27 North, 701 Grayling Rd.

Church 348-8885

Parsonage 348-2588

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday - Family Night
Adult-Youth-Children Sessions 7 p.m.

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Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Services 7:30 p.m.

Heritage Baptist

Pastor Jim Van Liere 348-7699

1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
1/4 mile west of I-75

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

St. John Evangelical Lutheran (ELCA)

Rev. Robert A. Gordon

710 Spruce St. - Phone 348-5224

Summer Schedule May 26-Sept. 1
Worship 8:30-10:30 a.m.
Choir Rehearsal (Tue.) 7 p.m.

No Choir July & August

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Of Latter Day Saints

Pastor Lacey Stephan, Jr.

Corner of North Down River Rd.
and South Millikin Rd.

Church School 9:45 a.m.
Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

Gaylord Christian Reformed Rev. V. Schapp

415 Ohio North

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Fr. Michael Conner - 348-7291

702 Peninsula - 348-7657

Saturday 5 p.m.
Sunday 9 & 11 a.m.
Weekday Mass

Tuesday 8 a.m.
Wednesday 10 a.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.
Friday 8 a.m.
Confession Saturday 4 p.m.

Christian Science Society

Zone 11, 106 James St.

Houghton Lake

Sunday Ser. & Sunday School 11 a.m.
1st Wednesday (April-Oct.) 7:30 p.m.

Loveless Chapel

Pastor Gary Hopp

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Chapel Service 11 a.m.

Calvary Baptist Church

Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor

M-72 West

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Mid-Week Services

Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 p.m.

Church of Christ

Gordon French Minister

Old US 27 at Skyline Rd.

348-8573

Sunday School 10:15 a.m.
Communion & Preaching 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 6 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

Mid-week Bible Study

7 p.m.

Bear Lake Christian

M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.

Sunday School 9 a.m.
Sunday Service 10 a.m.

Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 p.m.

The Church of Christ

with the Elijah Message

Pastor Dok E. Weaver

7662 Kelly Ave. - Frederic

Military News

Janice Marie Helsel, an Air Force Reservist and resident of Roscommon, MI, was recently promoted to the rank of senior airman. The new rank insignia was presented in ceremonies at this southeast Michigan military installation by Lt. Col. Paul Brown, Commander for the 927th Civil Engineering Squadron.

Senior Airman Helsel is a Services Specialist with the 927th Civil Engineering Squadron. This military unit is part of the 927th Tactical Airlift Group, an Air Force Reserve unit headquartered at Selfridge Air

National Guard Base.

The 927th Tactical Airlift Group employs nearly 1,000 men and women to provide tactical airlift, aircraft maintenance, medical evacuation, civil engineering and other support services in case of national emergency. The unit flies the C-130 Hercules, a four-engine turbo-prop aircraft.

Senior Airman Helsel has been in the Air Force Reserve for one year.

When not in uniform, Senior Airman Helsel is a groom at Maple Forest Horse Farm.

Navy Seaman Recruit Jason E. Thayer, son of Jan E. Thayer of Grayling, recently completed basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL.

During the cycle, recruits are taught general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 occupational fields.

Studies include seamanship, close-order drill, naval history, and first aid.

The 1991 graduate of Grayling High School, joined the Navy in August 1991.

Airman 1st Class David C. Myers has graduated from the financial services at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Students were taught principles and procedures for preparing input and operating equipment in a mechanized disbursement system.

The airman was an honor graduate of the course.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Myers of Grayling.

Myers is a 1988 graduate of Grayling High School.

The Meadows Of Grayling News

By Carolyn Poll, Activity Director

We started our week off with Church Services on Sunday, and popcorn and beverages on Monday with our movie of the week, *Nutcracker*. The music and ballet was wonderful. Tuesday we played Bingo in the morning and celebrated New Year's Eve in the afternoon. We all danced and partied with the Dance Club. At approximately 4 p.m. we blew and tooted our upcoming new year in right. We drank non-alcoholic wine and beer and ate cheese and crackers. The residents seem to have a good time. On New

Year's Day there were many family visitors. Thursday we played senior Pictionary and that afternoon, Bingo with Jerry, one of our favorite callers. Friday we enjoyed coffee and doughnuts with Tootie and Bonnie and made Valentines for the residents' doors. During our bowling day, James Mullens was our 1st place winner, 2nd place winner Helen Stimach, and Thelma Muse took 3rd place. Saturday, residents lined up for their manicure with Shirlee, residents really enjoy this added treat.

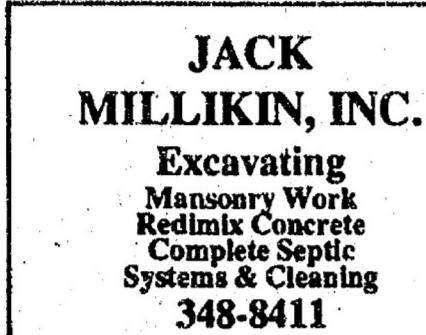
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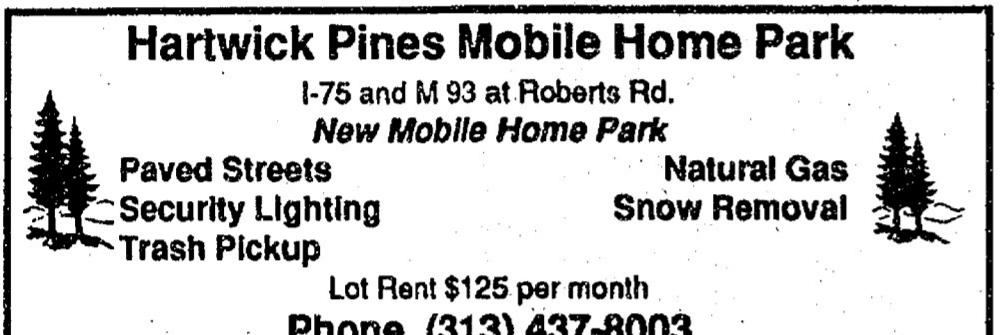


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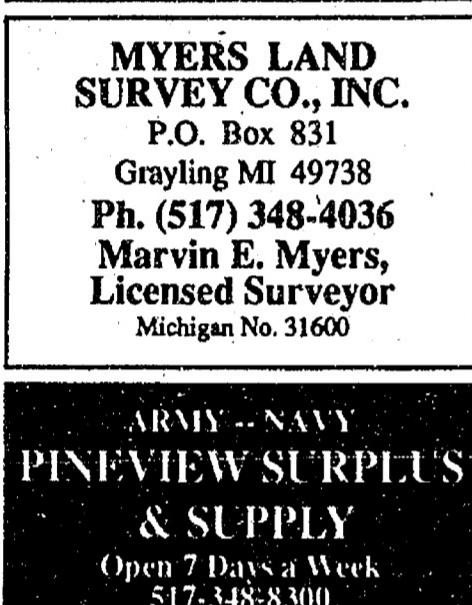


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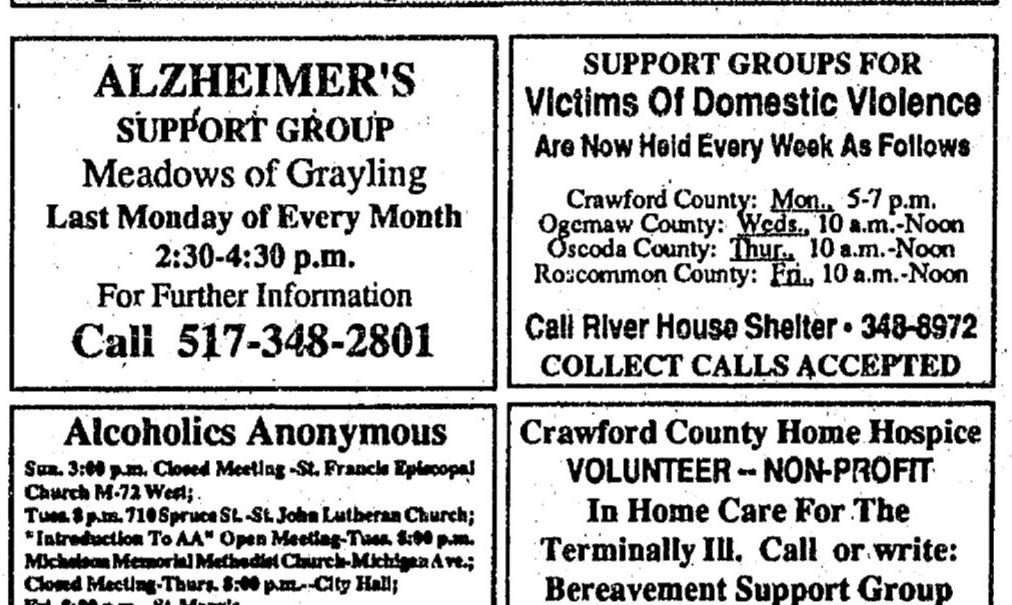
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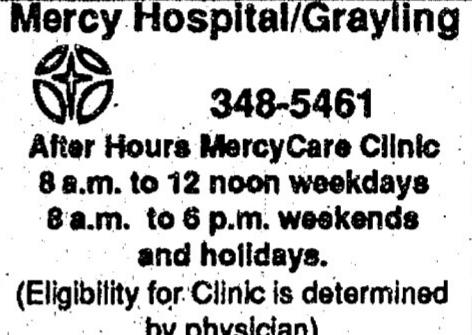


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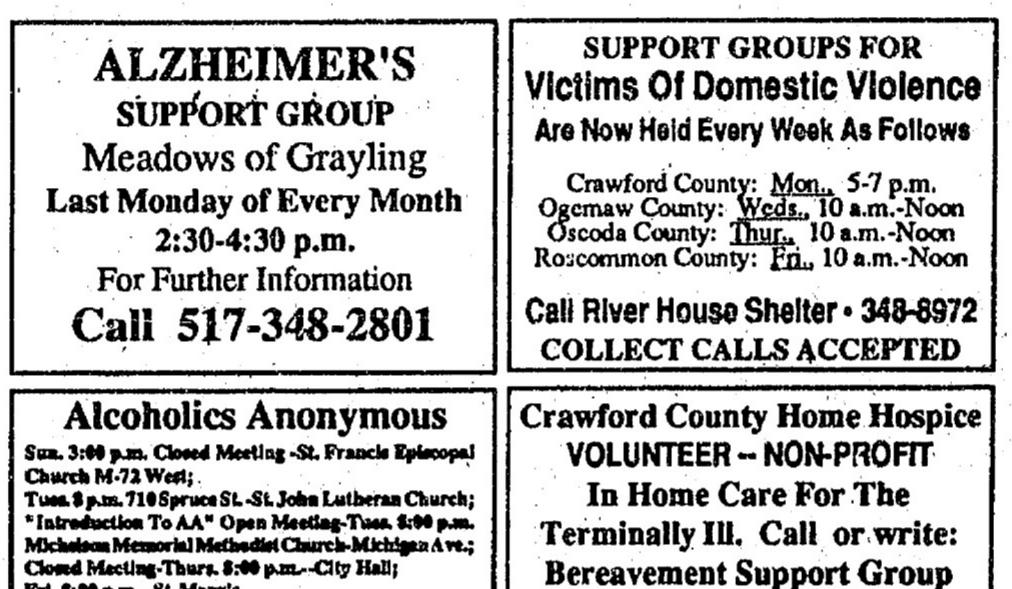


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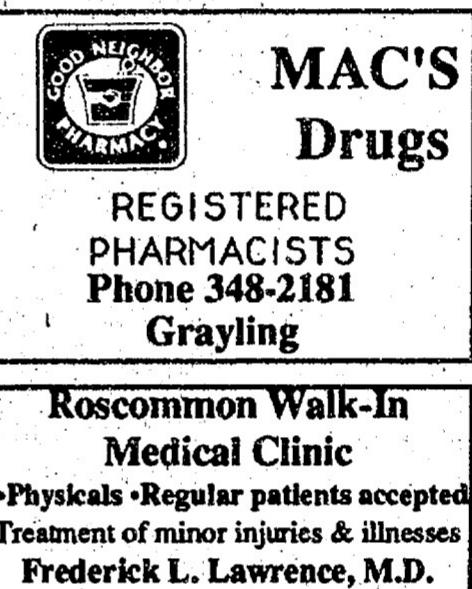
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ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP
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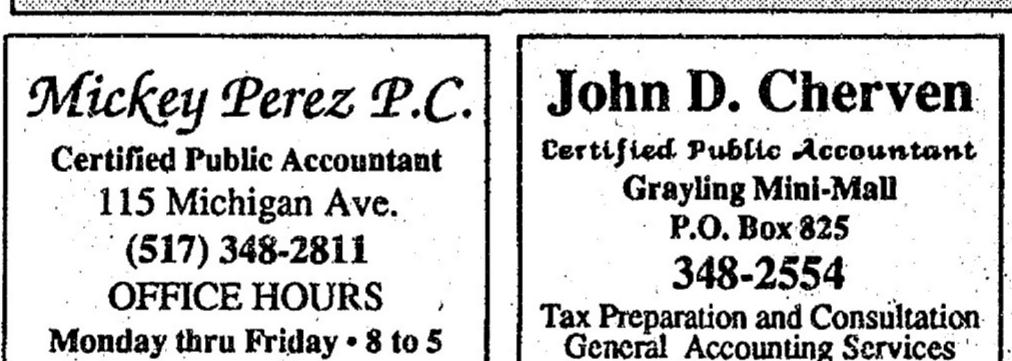


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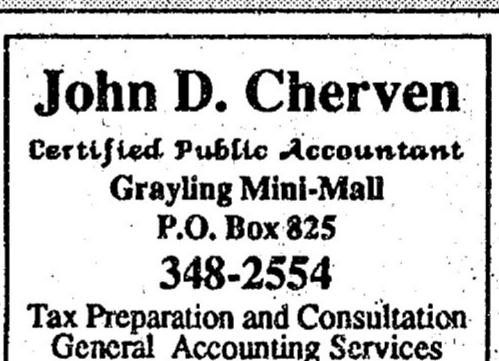


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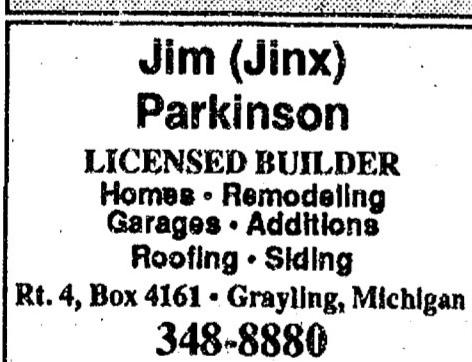


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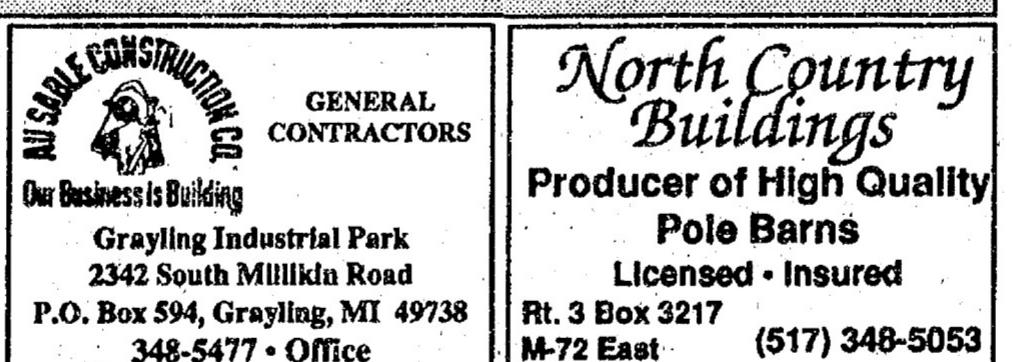
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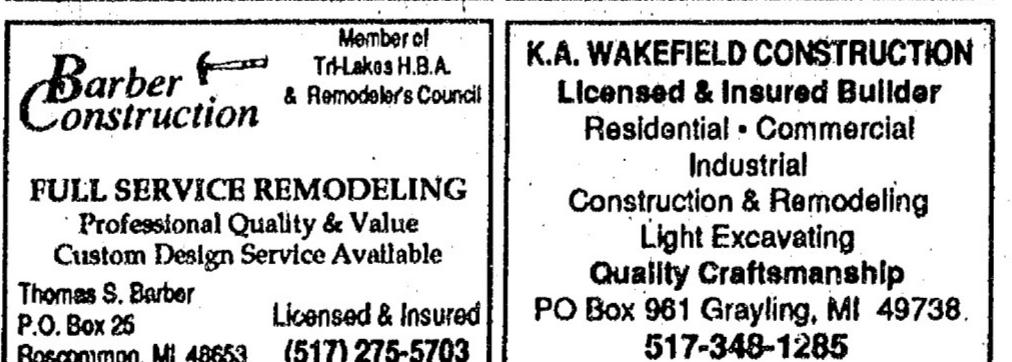
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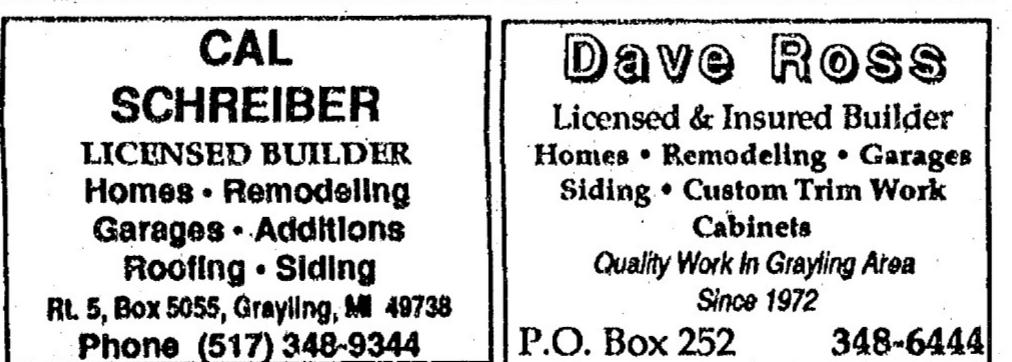
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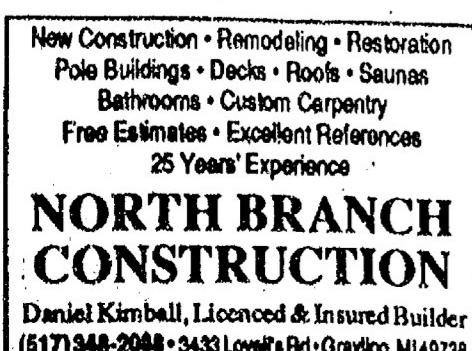
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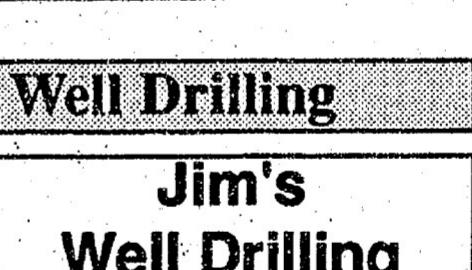
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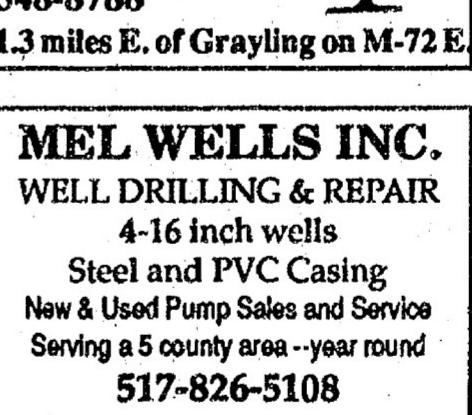
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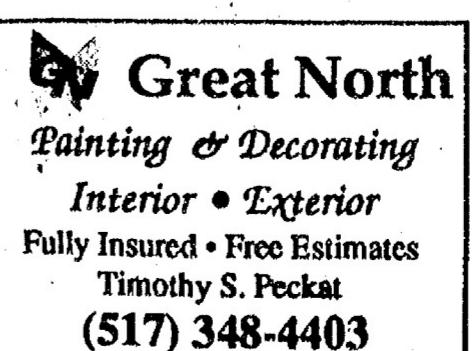
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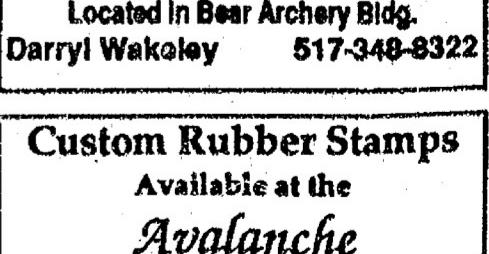
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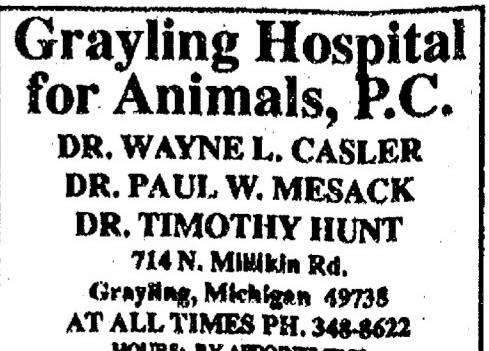


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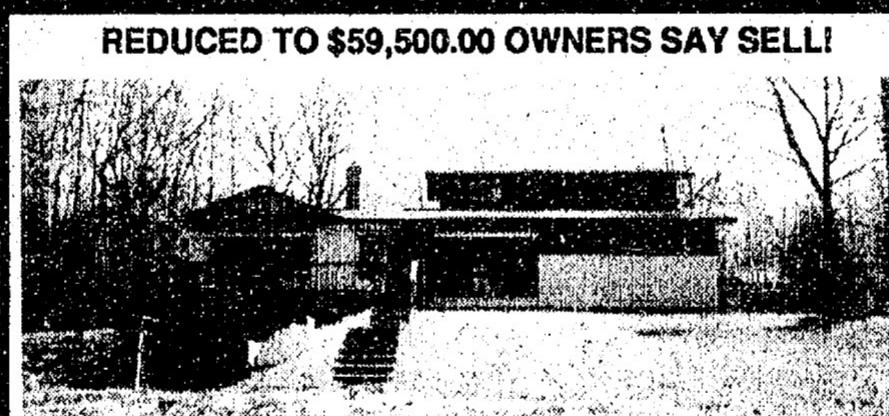
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Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE

COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

JOSEPH AND
JANET SADOWSKI,
Plaintiffs,
LAW OFFICES OF WILLIAM L. CAREY
BY: William L. Carey P31602
Attorney for Plaintiffs
114 Michigan Ave, PO Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738 517-348-5232

KEVIN NATALE AND
KIMBERLY NATALE,
Defendants.
File No. 91-2560-CH (D)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Notice is hereby given that the Crawford County Clerk shall sell at public sale to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Building, in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 6th day of February, 1992, at 10:00 a.m. in the forenoon, the following described property, located in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

Parcel #2: Known as BRADFORD LAKE ESTATES, PHASE #1: Being a part of the East 1/2 of Section 1, Town 28 North, Range 1 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the North 1/4 corner of said Section 1, thence North 89 degrees 38 minutes 17 seconds East along the Section line, 35.26 feet, thence South 1 degree 11 minutes 48 seconds East 653.19 feet for Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 43 minutes 59 seconds East 666.93 feet, thence South 1 degree 11 minutes 06 seconds East, 653.68 feet, thence South 89 degrees 45 minutes 39 seconds West, 666.87 feet, thence North 1 degree 11 minutes 48 seconds West 653.19 feet to Point of Beginning. Together with right of way for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities, as granted in instrument recorded in Liber 188, Pages 127-129, Crawford County Records.

BY: William L. Carey P31602

Attorney for Plaintiffs
114 Michigan Ave, PO Drawer 665
Grayling, MI 49738 517-348-5232

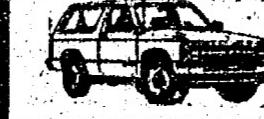
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Government Action

Crawford County

Road Commission

December 6, 1991 Minutes

A regular meeting of the Crawford County Road Commission was held in their office in Grayling. Present were: Chairman Norman Parker, Commissioners Clyde Anthony and Kenneth Chapp, Engineer-Manager Richard Young, Accounting Clerk Joanne Thompson, Chairman of Roads & Bridges Lee Riley.

The minutes of the previous meeting of November 22, 1991, were read. Chairman Parker made a motion to accept the minutes with a correction, seconded by Commissioner Anthony. All voted in favor, minutes approved and signed.

Payroll Voucher Number 25 in the amount of \$31,818.44 and Material Checks numbered 19508 through 19575 in the amount of \$48,453.54 were presented to the Board for approval of payment. Commissioner Anthony made a motion to accept the vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Chapp.

Bids were opened at this time for fuel delivered to the Road Commission. Results are as follows:

Bay Oil: No lead, .7623 gallon subject to change; diesel, .7193 gallon subject to change.

C. R. Fick & Sons: No lead, .0190 gallon freight & delivery; diesel, .0215 gallon freight & delivery.

Bids were discussed and the Engineer-Manager is to gather more information regarding the bids. Bids tabled.

One permit was received and signed as follows: Top O Michigan to erect a primary aerial crossing on Wilcox Bridge Road in Grayling Township.

Acting as the Drain Commission the Board reviewed a Department of Natural Resources Permit to fill wetlands. Commission directed the Engineer-Manager to review the application. The applicant will be notified that a State Permit will also be necessary for a driveway.

King Venture correspondence was discussed and the Board instructed Engineer-Manager Young to contact Attorney Sabin regarding possible recourse if necessary.

The Board inquired as to the quality of Akron Club Trail Road which is scheduled for Public Hearing at the next meeting. Engineer-Manager Young said the road was equal or better than the previous road for maintenance.

Discussion was held on the road commission property that is currently being leased to the County of Crawford. More data is forthcoming.

Barb Greene joined the meeting at this time and informed the Board of the current progress. The Board informed her of their opposition of changing primary road names. Mrs. Greene informed the Board that since an ordinance passed in 1986 the Road Commission has the authority to approve road names, public or private. Since working on 9-1-1 she has discovered two plots have been recorded and not approved by Crawford County Road Commission. She also noted that more and more trail roads are being found with structures on the roads, and that there is a duplication of numbers on North Down River Road between the city and county. She suggested that we request the County Commissioners to support the changing of the city numbers to the county numbering. This will need to be also approved by the City of Grayling due to a city ordinance.

Lee Riley, County Commissioner, informed the Board that the County Commissioners are in the process of writing Senator Prindia and Representative Ostling regarding the lowering of the speed limit on unpaved rural roads.

The Board adjourned for lunch and upon returning Commissioner Chapp told the others of the meetings he attended with Chamber of Commerce Director Debbie Allen regarding the possibility of a freeway interchange on North Down River Road and the gas tax. Senator Prindia feels writing Governor Engler will do the most good for the tax passing.

Chairman Parker made a motion to close the doors for the purpose of discussing personnel, seconded by Commissioner Chapp. Doors opened, and a motion by Commissioner Chapp, seconded by Commissioner Anthony to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor, meeting adjourned.

Joanne Thompson-Accounting Clerk

Norman L. Parker-Chairman

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1991 DODGE DYNASTY, 4 DOOR, V6, air, tilt cruise, stereo, power windows, power locks, rear defogger, white.

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1991 OLDS BRAVADA, 4 DOOR, fully loaded, factory official, 4 wheel drive.

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\$9,488

1989 OLDS DELTA 88 ROYALE BROUGHAM, 4 door, tilt, cruise, air, power windows, power locks, power seat, tape, low miles, one owner.

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- CHILD CARE SERVICES

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Pre-Registration
January 6, 1992 by mail or call
GHS 348-7641 ext. 27 or
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Registration
January 8 - 17, 1992 - GHS Community Ed. Office
or Hanson Hills Adult Learning Center
348-5459 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

DAYTIME & EVENING CLASSES BEGIN JANUARY 20, 1992 ADULT LEARNING CENTER - HANSON HILLS

			Room	Instructor
Monday	Math	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	3	Prause
Tuesday - Friday	GED: Section A	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	1	Moran
	GED: Section B	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	3	Prause
Tuesday - Friday	ABE	12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.	1	Moran
	Pre-GED	2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	1	Moran
Tuesday	EST	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	3	Prause

HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION

Monday & Wednesday	Introduction to Computers	1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted
Tuesday & Thursday	Introduction to Computers II	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted
Tuesday	EST & Workplace Literacy	1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted & Moran
Thursday	ABE, Pre-GED Computers	12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.	2	Lucksted & Moran

WORKPLACE LITERACY COMPUTERS

Monday Evening	Introduction to Computers I	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted
Wednesday Evening	Introduction to Computers I	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted
Thursday Evening	Introduction to Computers II	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted

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348-5459

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Grayling High School & Adult Learning Center

MONDAY - Science	Hinkle	WEDNESDAY - Modern U.S. History	Phillips
- English	Phillips	- Typing II	TBA
- Woodshop	Prause	- State & Local Govt. (ALC)	Moran
- Fine Arts I	Inabinet	- Consumer Ed./EST	Anderson
TUESDAY - Computer Science II	Ingvarsson	THURSDAY - Law (ALC)	Prause
- GED - ABE PREP	Emmons	- GED - ABE PREP	Emmons
- Sociology (ALC)	Moran	- American Literature	TBA

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Tuesday & Thursday	Introduction to Computers II	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	2	Lucksted
	TUESDAY - Computer Science II	Ingvarsson		

WORKPLACE LITERACY COMPUTERS

Monday Evening	Introduction to Computers I	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	CLOSED
Wednesday Evening	Introduction to Computers I	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	CLOSED
Thursday Evening	Introduction to Computers II	6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.	2	CLOSED

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